

**POC&D Committee  
Subcommittee of P&Z Commission  
Minutes  
August 19, 2009**

**Present**

**Frank Abetti  
Gloria Fogarty**

**Absent**

**Sue Spang  
Kevin Lyden**

**Committee Chairs**

**Present**

**Dana Abetti  
Jim Fogarty  
Linda Scroeder  
Sally Snyder**

**Absent**

**Bill Schultz  
Larry Reitz**

**Guests: None**

**Meeting called to order by Chairman, Frank Abetti at 7:35 PM.**

**Public Comments: None**

**Approval of Minutes: Delayed until next meeting.**

**Old Business: Chairman Abetti led a review of the First Draft of the POCD Survey. All sections were discussed in great detail, with Chairman Abetti taking notes regarding proposed modifications, eliminations, contractions, alternatives and needs for clarification via lead-in paragraphs.**

**New Business: None**

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 8, 2009, 7:30PM at Salem Town Hall.**

**M/S/C (Sally Snyder/Linda Schroeder) moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:55PM.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Gloria Fogarty**

**Meeting called to order at 7:33PM by Chairman, Frank Abetti.**

**Public comments:**

**None**

**Additions to the agenda:**

**Bill Schultz asked for, and was granted time to present an information booklet he had prepared summarizing known historical/archaeological information about the Town of Salem. The report also includes (but is not limited to) material from other Town POCD reports describing P&Z Regulations aimed at protected existing historical resources. The following towns are mentioned in the report: Coventry, East Haddam, East Lyme, Redding, Sharon, Stonington, Westbrook and Westport. Copies of Mr. Schultz's booklet are available; the Committee expressed much gratitude and appreciation for the work Mr. Schultz and his willingness to gracefully share this summary of his work.**

- 1. Approval of minutes: M/S/C (G. Fogarty/ K. Lyden) to approve minutes from the March 18 meeting, with no corrections, additions or changes.  
Vote: Approved unanimously.**
- 2. Old Business:**
  - a) Update - F. Abetti noted that some of the Committee Chairs have provided beginning responses to the templates he has sent out. Dana Abetti reviewed her written submissions; attending committee members offered comments, encouragement and discussion of various ways to deal with overlapping issues.**
  - b) It was noted that available state guidelines on certain topics (i.e. town services, recreation, senior programs, education health, etc.) are somewhat ambiguous and not easily defined as land-use issues. It was suggested that it would be appropriate for the final reports for these sections to be more narrow in scope than we had originally considered, though it would be important to explain in the report why we had chosen to address certain issues and perhaps minimize others.**
  - c) One member expressed concern that there would be a tremendous amount of work produced to complete the report, and yet, we have no assurances that the various Commissions and Department would follow through and adopt actions recommended by the team. All present agreed to share a joint commitment to prepare a document that would encourage accomplishment of recognized goals by virtue of limiting the number of action items called out and by devising methods to build-in accountability for those entrusted with enactment of the regulations. The team also considered more informal means by which the Town might accomplish some of the identified goals – eg. Using Scouts earning merit badges to help research ages of building s in the community, inviting the Town librarians to share in some projects, create a Web Site dedicated to historical information about Salem, etc.**

**Vision Committee progress update – F. Abetti reported that the Vision Committee continues to develop a format for presentation of questions.**

**Next Meeting: Though there was a plan for an April 15<sup>th</sup> meeting, that date has been changed to Monday, April 20, at 7:30PM, Salem Town Hall. It is anticipated that Committee Chairs will bring forward their thoughts and questions for their chosen group interview meetings.**

**M/S/C (B. Schultz/K. Lyden) moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:40PM.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Gloria Fogarty**